

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN**

APPLICATION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS UNDER 28 U.S.C. § 2254  
BY A PERSON IN STATE CUSTODY

If petitioner is attacking a judgment which imposed a sentence to be served in the future, petitioner must fill in the name of the state where the judgment was entered. If petitioner has a sentence to be served in the future under a federal judgment which he wished to attack, he should file a motion under 28 U.S.C. § 2255, in the federal court which entered the judgment

**Notice:**      ***Any false statements of a material fact may serve as the basis for prosecution and conviction for perjury.***

**FILING INSTRUCTIONS**

1. Fill out the attached form, answering each item completely in the space provided.
2. Answers must be legibly handwritten or typewritten.
3. Additional pages are not permitted except with respect to the facts which you rely upon to support your grounds for relief.
4. No citation of authorities need be furnished.
5. If briefs or arguments are submitted, they must be:
  - a) On white 8 ½ by 11" paper, and
  - b) Securely attached to this form.
6. Filing fee:
  - a) \$5.00, or
  - b) If you do not have the filing fee, you must:
    - 1) Complete the attached application to proceed *in forma pauperis*,
    - 2) Be sure to sign the application, and
    - 3) Have the application certified by an official of the institution in which you are imprisoned, indicating the amount of money and securities on deposit to your credit in any account in the institution. If you prisoner account exceeds \$150.00, the court will usually deny a request to file *in forma pauperis*.
7. When the petition is fully completed, mail the original and three (3) copies to:

Office of the Clerk  
United States District Court  
231 W. Lafayette Boulevard, Fifth Floor  
Detroit, Michigan 48226

***Failure to comply with all of the instructions will result in unnecessary delays.***

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<b>United States District Court</b>	<b>Eastern District of Michigan</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Inmate Number:</b>	<b>Case Number (official use only)</b>
<b>Place of Incarceration:</b>		
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"><div><b>Name of Petitioner (Include the name under which you were incarcerated) Respondent (authorized person having custody over you)</b></div><div><b>Name of</b></div></div> <div style="border-top: 1px solid black; margin-top: 10px; text-align: center;">_____ vs. _____</div>		
<b>The Attorney General of the State of:</b>		

**PETITION**

1. Name and location of court which entered the judgment of conviction under attack:  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. Date of judgment of conviction:  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. Length of Sentence: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Nature of offense involved (all counts):  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. What was your plea? (check one)

(a) Not guilty ☐

(b) Guilty ☐

(c) Nolo contendere ☐

If you entered a guilty plea to one count or indictment, and a not guilty plea to another count or indictment, give details: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

6. If you pleaded not guilty, what kind of trial did you have? (check one)

(a) Jury ☐

(b) Judge only ☐

7. Did you testify at the trial?

Yes ☐ No ☐

8. Did you appeal from the judgment of conviction?

Yes ☐ No ☐

9. If you did appeal, answer the following:

(a) Name of court: \_\_\_\_\_

(b) Result: \_\_\_\_\_

(c) Date of result and citation, if known: \_\_\_\_\_

(d) Grounds raised: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

(e) If you sought further review of the decision on appeal by a higher state court, please answer the following:

(1) Name of court: \_\_\_\_\_

(2) Result: \_\_\_\_\_

(3) Date of result and citation, if known: \_\_\_\_\_

(4) Grounds raised: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

(f) If you filed a petition for certiorari in the United States Supreme Court, please answer the following with respect to each direct appeal:

(1) Name of court: \_\_\_\_\_

(2) Result: \_\_\_\_\_

(3) Date of result and citation, if known: \_\_\_\_\_

(4) Grounds raised: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

10. Other than a direct appeal from the judgment of conviction and sentence, have you previously filed any petitions, applications, or motions with respect to this judgment in any court, state or federal?

Yes ☐ No ☐

11. If your answer to 10 was “yes”, give the following information:

- (a)
- (1) Name of court: \_\_\_\_\_
- (2) Nature of proceeding: \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- (3) Grounds raised: \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- (4) Did you receive an evidentiary hearing on your petition, application, or motion?  
Yes ☐ No ☐
- (b) As to any second petition, application, or motion give the same information:
- (1) Name of court: \_\_\_\_\_
- (2) Nature of proceeding: \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- (3) Grounds raised: \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- (4) Did you receive an evidentiary hearing on your petition, application, or motion?  
Yes ☐ No ☐
- (c) Did you appeal to the highest state court having jurisdiction the result of action taken on any petition, application or motion?
- (1) First petition, etc. Yes ☐ No ☐
- (2) Second petition, etc. Yes ☐ No ☐
- (d) If you did *not* appeal from the adverse action on any petition, application, or motion explain briefly why you did not: \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

12. State *concisely* every ground on which you claim that you are being held unlawfully. Summarize *briefly* the *facts* supporting each ground. If necessary, you may attach pages stating additional grounds, and *facts* supporting same.

**CAUTION:** In order to proceed in the federal court, you must ordinarily first exhaust your available state court remedies as to each ground on which you request action by the federal court. If you fail to set forth all grounds in this petition, you may be barred from presenting additional grounds at a later date.

For your information, the following is a list of the most frequently raised grounds for relief in habeas corpus proceedings.

Each statement preceded by a letter constitutes a separate ground for possible relief. You may raise any grounds which you may have other than those listed if you have exhausted your state court remedies with respect to them. However, *you should raise in this petition all available grounds* (relating to this conviction) on which you base your allegations that you are being held in custody unlawfully.

Do not check any of these listed grounds. If you select one or more of these grounds for relief, you must allege facts. The petition will be returned to you if you merely check (a) through (j) or any of these grounds:

- (a) Conviction obtained by plea of guilty which was unlawfully induced or not made voluntarily or with understanding of the nature of the charge and the consequences of the plea.
- (b) Conviction obtained by the use of coerced confession.
- (c) Conviction obtained by use of evidence gained pursuant to an unconstitutional search and seizure.
- (d) Conviction obtained by use of evidence obtained pursuant to an unlawful arrest.
- (e) Conviction obtained by a violation of the privilege against self-incrimination.
- (f) Conviction obtained by the unconstitutional failure of the prosecution to disclose to the defendant evidence favorable to the defendant.
- (g) Conviction obtained by a violation of the protection against double jeopardy.
- (h) Conviction obtained by action of a grand or petit jury which was unconstitutionally selected and impaneled.
- (i) Denial of effective assistance of counsel.
- (j) Denial of right of appeal.

(A) Ground one: \_\_\_\_\_

Supporting FACTS (tell your story *briefly* without citing cases or law: \_\_\_\_\_

(B) Ground two: \_\_\_\_\_

Supporting FACTS (tell your story *briefly* without citing cases or law: \_\_\_\_\_

(C) Ground three: \_\_\_\_\_

Supporting FACTS (tell your story *briefly* without citing cases or law: \_\_\_\_\_

(D) Ground four: \_\_\_\_\_

Supporting FACTS (tell your story *briefly* without citing cases or law: \_\_\_\_\_

- (13) If any of the grounds listed in 12 A, B, C, and D were not previously presented in any other court, state or federal, state briefly what grounds were not so presented, and give your reasons for not presenting them:

- (14) Do you have any petition or appeal now pending in any court, either state or federal, as to the judgment under attack?

Yes ☐ No ☐

15. Give the name and address, if known, of each attorney who represented you in the following states of the judgment attacked herein:

1. At preliminary hearing: \_\_\_\_\_

2. At arraignment and plea: \_\_\_\_\_

3. At trial: \_\_\_\_\_

4. At sentencing: \_\_\_\_\_

5. On appeal: \_\_\_\_\_

6. In any post-conviction proceeding: \_\_\_\_\_

7. On appeal from any adverse ruling in a post-conviction proceeding: \_\_\_\_\_

16. Were you sentenced on more than one count of an indictment, or on more than one indictment, in the same court and at approximately the same time?

Yes ☐ No ☐

17. Do you have any future sentence to serve after you complete the sentence imposed by the judgment under attack?

Yes ☐ No ☐

1. If yes, give name and location of court which imposed sentence to be served in the future:

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2. Give date and length of the above sentence:

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3. Have you filed, or do you contemplate filing, any petition attacking the judgment which imposed the sentence to be served in the future?

Yes ☐ No ☐

Wherefore, Movant prays that the Court grant him all relief to which he may be entitled in this proceeding.

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Signature of Attorney (if any)

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on

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Date

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Signature of Movant